

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Atty. Docket

FRANK P. DERKS ET AL.

PHN 17,686

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W.M.D.Lee
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Serial No.

Filed: CONCURRENTLY

For: COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AND COMMUNICATION METHOD FOR DATA
MULTIPLEXING

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 9, line 1, delete "and 8"

Claim 10, line 1, delete "8 or 9,"

Claim 11, line 1, delete "8 or 9,"

Claim 12, line 1, change "delete "8, 9,"

Claim 13, line 1, delete "8 or 9,"